

**RAIL SERVICE COMPETITION COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
FINAL AGENDA**

**Monday
August 14, 2006**

**10:00am – 4:00pm
Elks Lodge, 137 Main St.
Shelby, Montana**

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

2.0 Roll Call and Introduction of Audience

3.0 Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – June 28, 2006

4.0 Technical Assistance Update – Whiteside and Associates

- 4.1 Proposed survey of shipper issues in central Montana (Mike O'Hara) Potential Action Item**
- 4.2 Determining parameters for competition analysis (Terry Whiteside) Potential Action Item**
- 4.3 Discussion of surface transportation board decision**
- 4.4 Update on Federal Legislation**

5.0 Develop Plan – Potential Action Item as per HB 769

- 2 (b) “develop a comprehensive and coordinated plan to increase rail service competition in Montana”**

6.0 Administrative Update - MEDS

7.0 Legislative Update - Potential State Legislative Activity (Evan Barrett)

- 7.1 Location of Council**
- 7.2 Continuing appropriation for administration and activities**

8.0 Rail Updates

- 8.1 Union Pacific (Evan Barrett)**
- 8.2 Canadian Pacific (Larry Bonderud)**
- 8.3 Montana Rail Link (Evan Barrett)**
- 8.4 BNSF Railway (Barbara Ranf)**
 - a. Results of public meetings**
 - b. Status of Great Falls to Helena rail**
- 8.5 Central Montana Railroad (Carla Allen)**
- 8.6 Watco, Yellowstone, Mission Valley, others**

9.0 Next Council Meeting

- 9.1 Meeting Date and Location (Port of Montana, Butte) Suggested date: September 25th;
alternative date: September 27th**
- 9.2 Agenda**

10.0 Comments or Issues from Council Members

11.0 Formal Public Comment Period

12.0 Adjournment

**** Tour of Shelby Transportation Facilities – Larry Bonderud**